03050109-090 (Broad Mouth Creek)

General Description

Watershed 03050109-090 is located in Anderson and Abbeville Counties and consists primarily of *Broad Mouth Creek* and its tributaries. The watershed occupies 21,744 acres of the Piedmont region of South Carolina. The predominant soil types consist of an association of the Cecil-Madison series. The erodibility of the soil (K) averages 0.26; the slope of the terrain averages 15%, with a range of 2-40%. Land use/land cover in the watershed includes: 7.89% urban land, 24.15% agricultural land, 6.34% scrub/shrub land, 2.32% barren land, 59.08% forested land, and 0.22% water.

Broad Mouth Creek flows past the City of Belton and accepts the drainage of Chinquola Mill Creek (Still Branch) near the Town of Honea Path before draining into the Saluda River. This watershed contains a total of 46.5 stream miles, all classified FW. There are several ponds in the watershed (10-15 acres) used for flood control and recreation.

Water Quality

Station #	Type	Class	Description
S-289	S	FW	BROAD MOUTH CK AT S-04-267, BELOW BELTON MARSHALL PLT
S-776	BIO	FW	TRIBUTARY TO BROAD MOUTH CREEK AT S-04-205
S-010	S	FW	BROAD MOUTH CREEK AT US 76
S-775	BIO	FW	BROAD MOUTH CREEK AT S-04-81
S-304	W	FW	BROAD MOUTH CREEK AT S-01-111

Broad Mouth Creek - There are four SCDHEC monitoring sites along Broad Mouth Creek, which was Class B until April, 1992. At the furthest upstream site (S-289), aquatic life uses are fully supported, and significant decreasing trends in five-day biochemical oxygen demand and total phosphorus concentrations suggest improving conditions for these parameters. Aquatic life uses are also fully supported further downstream (S-010), but there is a significant increasing trend in turbidity. Significant decreasing trends in five-day biochemical oxygen demand and total phosphorus concentrations suggest improving conditions for these parameters. Recreational uses are not supported at either upstream site due to fecal coliform bacteria excursions. In addition, there were significant increasing trends in fecal coliform bacteria. At the next site downstream (S-775), aquatic life uses are fully supported based on macroinvertebrate community data, and aquatic life uses are again fully supported at the furthest downstream site (S-304). Recreational uses are not supported at this site due to fecal coliform bacteria excursions.

Unnamed tributary to Broad Mouth Creek (S-776) - This stream was Class B until April, 1992. Aquatic life uses are partially supported based on macroinvertebrate community data.

Permitted Activities

Point Source Contributions

RECEIVING STREAM
FACILITY NAME
TYPE
PERMITTED FLOW @ PIPE (MGD)
LIMITATION

COMMENT

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0002887

AMERADA HESS CORP./BELTON

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.032

MINOR INDUSTRIAL
WATER QUALITY

WQL FOR TOXICS

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0025364

SOUTHEAST TERMINAL/BELTON MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R EFFLUENT

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0037567

MARATHON OIL CO./BELTON
PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R
MINOR INDUSTRIAL
EFFLUENT

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0041459

COLONIAL PIPELINE/BELTON MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R EFFLUENT

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0047520

TORRINGTON CO./HONEA PATH MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.123 EFFLUENT

BROAD MOUTH CREEK SC0000698

BELTON INDUSTRIES MINOR INDUSTRIAL
PIPE #: 002 FLOW: 0.172 EFFLUENT
PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.017 WATER QUALITY

WQL FOR NH3-N, DO, TRC

BROAD MOUTH CREEK TRIBUTARY SC0043010

SOUTHEASTERN BULK FUEL/BELTON
PIPE #: 001 FLOW: --WATER QUALITY

WQL FOR BOD5, TOXICS

Growth Potential

There is a low to moderate potential for growth in this watershed. The corridor that runs along US 76 from the Town of Honea Path to the City of Belton, and on to the Town of Williamston will continue to be a growth area.